

ORDER: The chair, President Mark Becker, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the February 16, 2017 Senate meeting were approved with no changes.

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR: The chair opened his comments welcoming the 2017-2018 Senate members. He mentioned that the Capital Campaign-Burning Bright was launched in October 2015 at $300 Million and is currently approaching $260 million. The previous campaign was completed in 2004 at $127 million. At the 2017 Legislative Session, funding for the demolition of Kell Hall and equipment for the Alpharetta lab is in the budget sent to the Governor. The campus carry bill passed the GA House and Senate and is now waiting for the Governor’s decision. Spring commencement will be at McAmish Pavilion at Georgia Tech. There will be four ceremonies spread out over May 8 and May 9.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Election of the 2017-2018 Senate Executive Committee. President Becker opened the floor for nominations. The names were recorded as nominated:
   - Pam Barr, Robinson College of Business
   - Laura Fredrick, College of Education and Human Development
   - Rose Sevcik, College of Arts and Sciences
   - Debra Denzer, Perimeter College
   - Shelby Frost, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies
   - Michelle Brattain, College of Arts and Sciences
   - Kris Varjas, College of Education and Human Development

   A motion was made and seconded to close the nominations. Since there are seven positions to fill and seven names nominated, the motion was made to approve the slate as nominated. The motion was approved.

B. The following motions are being presented for consideration by the Senate. The Executive Committee recommends a “do pass” on the following agenda items:

1. Motion from the Admissions and Standards Committee; Sara Cushing, chair. Computer Science Major Eligibility Requirement
   This proposal seeks to clarify the requirements to be eligible for the B.S. in Computer Science effective Fall 2017. This motion also enables the early identification and redirection of students unlikely to be successful as computer Science majors. The question was called and the motion passed.
2. Motion from the Admissions and Standards Committee; Sara Cushing, chair.

**Priority Registration for Contracted GSU ROTC Students**

This proposal seeks to achieve priority registration for contracted GSU ROTC students. Priority registration would allow these students to properly execute their degree plans to graduate on time and with a commission as officers in the U.S. military. The question was called and the motion passed.

3. Motion from the Admissions and Standards Committee; Sara Cushing, chair.

**Amend the University Clock Schedule for the Atlanta Campus**

This proposal seeks to adopt a new clock schedule in order to achieve higher efficiency in classroom usage and a balanced schedule. The question was called and the motion passed.

4. Motion from the Admissions and Standards Committee; Sara Cushing, chair.

**Change Admission Requirements for Kinesiology and Health**

This proposal will amend the admission requirements for the B.S. in Exercise Science. The question was called and the motion passed.

5. Motion from the Admissions and Standards Committee; Sara Cushing, chair.

**Revise Honors College Atlanta Admissions Cycle**

This motion reduces the number of application periods for Atlanta campus students from two per year to one, reducing administrative burden without having an impact on students' ability to register for courses. The question was called and the motion passed.

6. Motion from the Nominations Committee; Laura Fredrick for Shelby Frost, chair.

**Nominations Report for the 2017-18 Senate Year**

The report was presented as distributed. The question was called and the motion passed.

**Information Items:**

1. Revision to P&D Committee Membership Description
2. List of 2017-18 Faculty Senators
3. Senate Committee Organizational Meeting Dates

**SPEAKER:** Director of Athletics, Charlie Cobb, gave an update on the Athletics Department and showed a brief video presentation. He touched on the six core values of the Athletics program. Also, he talked about the culture of success. There are currently approximately 325 student athletes. Getting a college education can be a transformative experience.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Since there was no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Nell Stone
Secretary to the Senate